

Salt and Dampness.
Salt is what is called "hygroscopic," that is, it eagerly absorbs moisture. In fact, both air and salt are absorbents of moisture and it is a contest between them as to which gets it. Results depend on atmospheric conditions. Ordinary atmosphere always contains a proportion of moisture, and warm air is apt to be more humid than cold, as it absorbs and holds water vapor more readily than cold air. Salt has such affinity for moisture that under such conditions it draws it from the air. When the air becomes dry, the moisture is given up by the salt, which in turn becomes dry as it returns the moisture to the air.

"Crepuscular" Sun Rays.
The beams of light sometimes seen radiating from the sun when not far from the horizon are called "crepuscular rays." They are due to rays of light passing through breaks in the clouds and made visible by dust or fine drops of water in the air. Their apparent divergence is an effect of perspective. The phenomenon is popularly described as "the sun drawing water"; sailors speak of the "sun's backstays," while Homer wrote of the "rosy-fingered dawn."

Indians Have Curious Numeration.
The Indians of Guiana have a curious system of numeration. They count by the hand and its four fingers. Thus, when they reach five, instead of saying so, they call it a "hand." Six is therefore a "hand and first finger"; seven, a "hand and second finger"; ten is "two hands." But 20, instead of being "four hands," is a "man." Forty is "two men," and thus they go on by twenties. Forty-six is expressed as "two men, a hand and first finger."

Nuts in Immense Quantities.
On the north coast of Guatemala 60,000 tons of cone nuts are said to be available for exportation annually, and with an expenditure of \$10,000 for highway improvement this quantity could probably be increased to 100,000 tons per annum. On the Pacific or south coast the yield of cone nuts, it is estimated, could easily be increased to 300,000 tons per annum. There is a supply of cheap labor in this southern region.

St. Swithin Myth Disproved.
A record was kept from 1840 for twenty years for the purpose of testing the truth of the popular belief that if rain fell on St. Swithin's day it would rain for forty days after. The result of this test shows that the greatest number of rainy days had occurred in these two decades in years when St. Swithin's day was dry.

Her Probable Intention.
Wright had been sent to the bank with his weekly amount, and when he returned he did not have his book. His mother asked him where it was. After quite a little hesitation he confessed to her in a whisper, "Well, mother, the girl took it and kept it. I think she wanted to weigh it."

Old Buggy His Court.
A judge of Livingston, N. J., is on record as holding court from the seat of an old buggy. The case was that of a tenant who had disregarded notice to vacate property, so the buggy was drawn up within a short distance of the house in question and the trial proceeded.

Profitable Eggshells.
In no instance are the shells of the eggs used by the Italian vendors of ice cream sold in the London streets broken. They are pierced at each end and blown by the mouth, the perfect shells being sold to the proprietors of shooting galleries.

Tit for Tat.
When Lord Randolph Churchill visited the diamond fields of South Africa he is said to have exclaimed after looking at some diamonds: "And all for the vanity of women." A lady who heard the remark added: "And the depravity of men."

Distance Lends Enchantment.
Personal in Exchange—"I would like to locate my wife, who left my bed and board on March 25 last. I wish to send her \$100 so that she can get even farther away than she is now."—Boston Transcript.

No Substitute for Work.
So far, no real substitute for work has been found. Panhandling is not. Neither is theft, burglary or even resolutions unanimously adopted by a mass meeting.—Houston Post.

That's All the Difference.
Jud Tunkins says an owl gets a reputation for wisdom by saying nothing, while a parrot discloses his ignorance by being needlessly conversational.

World's Gold Production.
In the world's history \$17,000,000,000 in gold has been mined, of which \$5,000,000,000 worth has been lost.—From the Argonaut.

They Can Afford It.
Our guess is that the only people who laugh and grow fat are those who don't have to work for their board.—Galveston News.

Wise Provision of Nature.
Jud Tunkins says a man who never makes a mistake has to die fearfully young to avoid spoiling his record.

Queer Human Ways.
A man is presented to a girl and then if all goes well the girl is given away to the man.

LOCAL NEWS

MORRISVILLE

T. H. Stoppel is confined to his home by illness.

Mrs. Nettie B. Law of Middlebury called on friends in town recently.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Goodliffe spent a few days at Randolph Center recently.

Henry Martin of St. Johnsbury was a guest at the A. G. Small home a few days recently.

The Misses Mary J. Simpson and Barbara Davison of Craftsbury visited friends in town recently.

Miss Frances Bates has been spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. Fannie Genge in St. Johnsbury.

Miss Barbara Wilkins has returned from Lake Morey, South Fairlee, where she has spent the summer in camp.

Mrs. C. C. Bachelder and Mrs. Mary Bedell of Syracuse, N. Y. are spending some time with relatives here.

Mrs. Pearl Hinds and daughter, Natalie, and Mrs. George Ives and Mrs. Fred Perry were Montgomery visitors Sunday of last week.

Frances McDonald and Robert Palmer have returned to their home in Burlington after a short visit at the T. E. Schutt home on Richmond street.

Christine Tevyaw, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Tevyaw, has returned from the Mary Fletcher hospital where she recently underwent a successful operation for appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Morrill and daughters the Misses Beatrice and Lucille, Miss Beatrice Schutt, and the Messrs. Dwight Griggs, Carroll Silloway and Wallace Strong are spending a week in camp at Elmore.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Eaton and son, Renwick, and Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Norton and daughter, Marie, have returned to their homes in Marblehead, Mass. after a several weeks' visit with relatives here and in Waterbury.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. LaPlace and children, William and Hortense, who have been spending several weeks with Mrs. LaPlace's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Drown, have returned to their home in Deep River, Conn.

Miss Marie Gulick spent last week with Mrs. Harrison Dodge and other friends. Miss Gulick, who left town a little over a year ago, has a responsible position at Sleighton Farm, Darling, Pa. and has been spending a month's vacation in Vermont.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brooks and daughters Miss Marion and Mrs. Earl Sweet, and the latter's son Brooks, have gone to Charleston, N. H., to visit Mrs. Brooks' brother A. Hill. From there, Mrs. Sweet and son will go to their home in Middletown Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Peck and sons' Seth and Wallace, and Mrs. Lena Kelley have returned home from a few days stay in Keene, N. H., where they went to accompany Mrs. Edward Goodrich to her home. Mrs. Goodrich spent several weeks with friends here.

The Nellie Gill Players presented "Charlie's Aunt" last Monday evening to a small but appreciative audience. The play is a loud laugh from beginning to end, and was well handled by the various players. A week from next Monday, the players will present "The Old Homestead."

Woman's Club Picnic

About fifty people enjoyed the Woman's Club outing at Lake Mansfield Tuesday afternoon. The party was furnished transportation by autos owned by the club members. Leaving the village about one-thirty, the party arrived at the Lake in plenty of time to enjoy a walk through the woods on the lake shore before the picnic supper. Lake Mansfield is a charming spot and the Club were fortunate in getting a permit to picnic there.

A GOOD FRIEND

A good friend stands by you when in need. Morrisville people tell how Doan's Kidney Pills have stood the test. Wm. H. Howard of 23 Randolph street endorsed Doan's eleven years ago and again confirms the story. Could you ask for more convincing testimony?

"Through the recommendation of a friend I was induced to try Doan's Kidney Pills," says Mr. Howard. "For some time I had suffered from kidney disorder. The secretions passed frequently and were highly colored. Soon after using Doan's Kidney Pills, which I got at Cheney's Drug store I felt relieved. After using a few boxes I felt like a different man. I cannot say enough in praise of this remedy and hope other kidney sufferers may be induced to try Doan's."

The above statement was given September 11, 1908 and on May 21, 1920, Mr. Howard added: "My opinion of Doan's Kidney Pills is the same as it was when I first recommended them. I have not needed Doan's for some time and I gladly confirm my statement."

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STOWE

R. B. Russell was a visitor in Barre last Monday.

Harvey Beauchemin is at home from Berlin, N. H.

P. D. Wells and family were visitors in Burlington Tuesday.

F. S. Boardman is installing a 12 foot soda fountain this week.

H. E. Pike was on Mt. Mansfield photographing on Thursday.

Mrs. Lucy Bridge of Albany, N. Y., is visiting her niece, Miss Ida Harris.

I. M. Boardman of Burlington called on his parents here the first of last week.

R. H. Gale left Wednesday night on a business trip to Cleveland, Chicago and other cities.

Miss Mary J. Bigelow, who has spent the summer here, returned Thursday to Salem, Mass.

Mrs. W. A. Knight and children have returned from Newbury where they visited relatives.

Mrs. Addie Harris, who has passed the summer in Stowe, returned recently to Springfield, Mass.

Mrs. Martha Warren has returned to Jackson Sargent's, after three weeks at her home in Johnson.

Mrs. Frank Harmon and daughter, Lucie, of Saco, Me., were guests of Miss Nellie Sargent last week.

Mrs. James Brownlee of Montpelier passed last week with her parents, the Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Hayward.

Miss Elizabeth Sanger, editor of the society column in the Boston Sunday Globe, is a guest at E. B. Gale's.

Miss Kate G. Jones, who has passed the summer with Miss Clara Barrows, returned to Lowell, Mass., last Wednesday.

C. C. Stafford has finished work at the Stafford Brothers' store and had a vacation last week before resuming his duties at Stowe high school.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Smith, who are completing their bungalow on West Branch, have returned from a visit to their home in Central Falls, R. I.

The pupils of Miss Ruby D. Shaw's Sunday School class and guests enjoyed a corn roast on the river bank on A. E. Ricketson's farm Monday evening.

Miss Clara A. Barrows has rented her house to Mrs. Edith Simineau, who moved in Thursday. Miss Barrows reserves rooms for storing her goods and remains here for the present.

Miss Carrie Huse, who has spent the summer with her sisters, Mrs. C. L. McMahon and Mrs. Mary Bhae, left Wednesday of last week on her return to Grand Rapids, Mich.

Since her return to Fitchburg, Mass., after a short visit with her husband in Stowe, her native town, Mrs. Lou Vearen Bowers has given a Stowe party to the following people, all either from Stowe or married to Stowe people: S. H. Dana and son Wayne, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Cleveland, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Cleveland, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Riley, (Miss Mabel Cleveland) Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Casey and Walter L. Morgan.

School Notes

The West Hill school opens August 29, with Mrs. Janet Adams, teacher. Other teachers are as follows: The West Branch school, Mrs. Mildred Russ; Moscow, Miss Grace Russ; Mills, Miss Florence Austin of Essex Center; North Hollow, Miss Theresa Hill of Burlington; South Hollow, Miss Daisy Haselton. These schools will open September 6. The Forks school, Miss Rowena Kicks of Essex, opens September 12, and the Brownsville and Elson Hill schools will open as soon as teachers can be provided. The Pucker street and Luce Hill schools will not open. Repairs and improvements have been made on the school buildings during the summer vacation, including improved lighting in the high school room, new veranda floor, shingling and painting and a change of lavatory room at the village school building, a concrete wall at the Moscow school house and changed windows and other improvements at the West Hill school house.

Holds Working Record

G. M. Culver who has worked in the tub shop at the Stowe butter package company's factory at lower village 51 years has perhaps seen the longest term of employment in one shop, of any man in this vicinity. Mr. Culver is 73 years of age and began working for P. D. Pike at the age of 22. In 1855, he bought out the tub business and ran it eight years, and sold it back to P. D. Pike and sons. That firm was succeeded by the Stowe Butter Package company and Mr. Culver has worked for the company as foreman until the present summer, when he has given up the supervision of the work, but still works nine hours a day with the younger men.

Mr. Culver was married to Miss Ida Robinson. They lived for 35 years in the house at the lower village now occupied by N. P. Russell, and their children were born there. Fourteen years ago, Mr. Culver bought the H. S. Atkins house on Main street and rebuilt it, and has since resided there. Mr. and Mrs. Culver's children are Frank M. Culver of Hyde Park, Mrs. A. A. Pike of this place and Mrs. E. C. Mills of Pasadena, Calif. They have five grandchildren, the Misses Marion and Beatrice and Allison Pike of this place, Mrs. Whittier B. Gates of Chattanooga, Tenn., and Roger C. Mills of Pasadena.

Why "Near" and "Off" Horse.
Because in the days when the driver walked beside the horses his position was always at the left, with his right next to the team. Therefore, in driving a pair, the horse on the left was nearer than the one on the right. The "near" horse is always the one on the left.

Why India Is Losing Cattle.
A census of the cattle of India shows that all the herds have been decreased during the last few years. The reason is that there was a famine of fodder during which it was impossible to get food for the cattle in some districts and it was scarce all over the country.

Why Known as "Dunning."
Because in the reign of Henry VIII there lived a bailiff named Dun, who gained a great reputation for making persons pay their debts. When every method of getting payment had been tried without success, Dun was put to work, and "dunned him" became the popular advice as a last resort.

Watch Credit on Your Paper

SAUCE FROM VERSE.
The middle verse of the Bible is the 8th verse of the 118th psalm, and reads: "It is better to take refuge in Jehovah than to put confidence in man."

That Goes With Peppermint, Too.
"Many girls exhaust their energy chewing gum," remarks a writer. The more pepsin, the less pep, so to speak.—Boston Transcript.

To Be Picked With Care.
"Pleasures," said Uncle Ezra, "am much like mushrooms. Be right kind and fine, but you has to be on de lookout for toadstools."

A Humorist Born.
Western Paper—Mr. and Mrs. Bronson are rejoicing in the birth of a daughter.—Boston Transcript.

Wasted Effort.
A girl can study music for years and years and forget it all in less than six months after her wedding.

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DAIRY FACTS

DISPOSING OF MILK SURPLUS
Conditions Likely to Exist in Well-Developed Dairy Districts During Summer.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

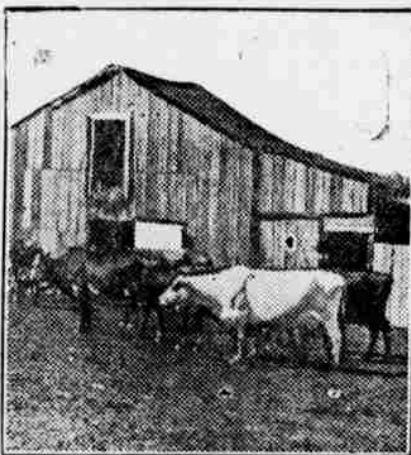
For the first time since the beginning of the World War there is developing in this country a surplus of milk, according to reports recently received by the United States Department of Agriculture. Specialists of the department state that this condition probably will be only temporary during the "flush" of the season, and that it is most apparent in well-developed dairy districts. It may continue during the summer months, but is expected to adjust itself by fall, when demand will overtake the surplus of supply. The situation is largely due to the falling off in the demand for milk in the manufacture of condensed products, milk powders, casein, and similar products, for which there was a large export outlet.

The department points out the advisability of using as much milk as possible, in fluid form and otherwise, as a human food. Within the last generation an increased knowledge of the value of milk in the diet has resulted in an almost doubled per capita consumption of milk, and consumers who purchase milk freely thereby encourage production. This is believed to be the best safeguard against a milk shortage and high prices resulting from the withdrawal of dairymen from the business during periods of large production and low farm prices for milk.

But when the limit of human utilization is reached dairy producers necessarily must decide how to dispose of the remainder. In many cases this will be a decision between selling whole milk, selling cream, or even to use a moderate quantity of whole milk for feeding, especially to young animals. In any event, a more liberal use of milk on farms should reduce the surplus, even though not solving the problem entirely.

As a guide to persons deciding to utilize surplus milk as a live stock feed, the department makes the following recommendations, which may be supplemented with literature issued by the department:

Milk from a dairy herd which is not definitely known to be free from tuberculosis should be scalded before being fed. An ordinary feed cooker is a practical means for scalding milk. This process is approximately equivalent



Typical Dairy Herd in Some Sections.

alent to pasteurization, which most large cities require as a safeguard to public health. Metal pails that can be kept clean by washing and scalding are preferable to wooden containers or others that are difficult to clean.

In calf feeding it usually pays well to feed one pound of whole milk for each ten pounds that the calf weighs, for a period of two weeks, and at the end of that time to change gradually to an equal amount of skim milk. The skim milk should be gradually increased as the calf grows until about 15 pounds per day is fed at the end of three months. Feed the milk warm and regulate the quantity according to size and vigor of the calf.

For pigs three weeks old or more, three parts of skim milk mixed with one part of shorts, is useful in keeping them growing. Skim milk may be fed with corn and other hog feeds in various practical combinations.

In poultry feeding both skim milk and buttermilk are excellent feeds, and can now also be purchased as a nonperishable commercial feed, which is sold in large barrels as semisolid buttermilk. Skim milk and buttermilk may be fed alone or mixed with other feeds, but feeders should observe their flocks carefully to avoid giving too much milk, or bowel trouble may result. This is caused principally by fowls eating spoiled clabbered milk remaining from a previous feeding.

While to live stock owners unaccustomed to the use of milk as a stock feed it may appear somewhat expensive, there are advantages which milk feeders quickly recognize. In addition to utilizing the surplus milk that would otherwise be wasted, young stock generally make a very rapid growth. This means early maturity and early usefulness, compared with stock that have developed more slowly. At least as a temporary measure there is a real opportunity to improve farm live stock, in addition to relieving a local milk surplus, by using skim milk rather liberally in proper combination with other feeds.

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